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The late Riot in Scotland being at present all the Talk, not only of this City, but the whole Kingdom, we shall here insert the Accounts which are given of it in the Publick Papers of Scotland.

From the Caledonian Mercury of Sept. 13.



THE Narrative in our last, with relation to the surprising and unparallel'd Riot that happened in this City the 7th Instant, not having been so particular as the World might expect, from an Event so uncommon in all its Circumstances: We have thought proper, by way of Supplement, to give the following disinterested Relation thereof, as from the best Information could be collected: Willing always, if what's here related shall at any time appear to have proceeded from Misinformation, to retract either Facts or Circumstances. 'Tis reported,

1. That a Body of Strangers entered the West-Port betwixt 9 and 10 at Night, who having seized the Portburgh Drummer by the Way, brought along a Drum, and some of 'em advancing up into the East-market, beat a Call to Arms; then call'd out, *all those who dare avenge innocent Blood!* This probably was a Signal for their Associates to fill on, and it was followed by instantly shutting up the Gates of the City, posting Guards at each, and flying Centinels at all Places whence a Surprise might be expected; while a separate Detachment threw themselves upon and disarmed the City Guard, and seizing the Drum, beat about the High Street, to notify (as they thought) their Success so far. At that Instant a Body of them advancing to the Tolbooth, call'd for the Keeper; and, finding he was gone, fell a-breaking the Door with Force-hammers: But making no great Advances that Way, they got together a Parcel of Broom, Furz (or Whins) with other Combustibles, Heaps of Timber, plac'd over a Barrel of Pitch, and set fire to the latter with the Flambeaux they taken from the City Officers, when they repulsed the Magistrates with Showers of Stones, and Threats to discharge Platoons of Fire Arms among them, if they offered to appear in the Streets that Night; and even said they plac'd Centinels to eye the Motions of the Magistrates. 'Tis reported,

2. That upon the Prison Door taking Fire several Citizens, particularly two Gentlemen, made up to the Rioters, and expostulated touching the imminent Danger of setting the whole Neighbourhood on Fire, insinuating, that this Outrage might come to be repented: But were answered, that they would care no Prejudice should happen to the City; that for the rest, they knew their Business, and that they (the Gentlemen) might go about their's. 'Tis reported,

3. That before the Prison Door was near burnt down, several rush'd thro' the Flames, up the Stairs, and demanded the Keys from the Keepers; and, tho' they could scarce see one another for the Smoak, got to Capt. Porteous's Apartment, calling, *Where is the Key?* He is said to have answered, Gentlemen, here; but what are ye to do with me? and that they answered, We are to carry you to the Place where you shed so much innocent Blood, and hang you. That he begg'd Mercy; but finding none at hand, requested some Time to prepare himself; that they instantly seized and pulled him to the Stairs, in his Night Gown, Cap and Breeches: But struggling, they caught him by the Legs, and led him to the Stairs foot, while others set the Prisoners at Liberty. That he was set upon as soon as he was brought into the Street, and seized him by the Breast and Arms, while others push'd behind, thus conducting him to the Head; where they stopped a little, at the Solicitations of some Citizens, that so he might dye peaceable; but whose real View was to Time, expecting every Moment the Welsh

Officers from the Canongate, who, 'twas said, were enter the City by the Trinity Hospital, or that Garrison of the Castle should come to his Relief: he is said to have addressed some of the Citizens

who appeared in his Behalf, and gave one of them 23 Guineas, &c. for his Brother's Use: By this Time, some who appeared to be in the Direction ordering a March, he was hurried down the Bow, and to the Gallows Stone, where he was desired to kneel, confess his Sins, particularly the Havock he had committed in that Place, and to offer up his Petitions to God. In a few Minutes after he was led to the fatal Tree; but on seeing the Rope, made Remonstrances, and caught hold of the Tree; but being disengaged, they set him down, and as the Noose was about to be put over his Head, he appeared to gather fresh Spirit, struggled, wrenching his Head and Body. Here again some Citizens appeared for him, telling, That the Troops being now in full March, they must all expect to be sacrificed, and that the Artillery of the Castle would doubtless be discharged among them; and that they answered, No Man will dye till his Day come. 'Tis reported,

4. That a Quarter of an Hour before 12 they put the Rope about his Neck, and ordered him to be pull'd up; which done, observing his Hands loose, he was let down again; after tying his Hands, he was haul'd up a 2d Time; but after a short Space, having wrought one of his Hands loose, he was let down once more, in order to tie it up, and cover his Face; stripping him of one of the Shirts he had on, they wrapped it about his Head, and got him up for a 3d Time, with loud Huzzas and a Ruff of the Drum. After he had hung a long Time they nailed the Rope to the Tree, then formally saluting one another, grounding their Arms, and t'other Ruff of the Drum, they separated, retired out of Town, and several of them were seen riding off in Bodies to all Quarters; leaving him hanging till near 5 in the Morning. 'Tis also reported,

5. That neither the Gentlemen who convers'd with them at the Tolbooth, nor those who were sent out by the Magistrates to see if they knew any of the Rioters, could say they had ever seen any one of 'em before, tho' the Flames rendered it as light as at Noon. So that 'tis generally believed no Citizen acted any principal Part in this Tragedy; tho' indeed 'tis certain, that many of the Inhabitants, led by Curiosity, stepped out to behold the surprising Boldness and incredible Extravagance of this Scene.

Upon the Whole, it would seem their Plot was concerted with Judgment, conducted with Secrecy, enterprized with Resolution, and executed in the Space of two Hours with unexpected Success.

Ever since the Riot, an Officer's Command of the Welsh Fusiliers mounts daily in the Castle; the Canongate Guard is reinforced all Night, besides their Picquet Guard; the City Company has a Guard at the Nether-bow, the Gate whereof is lock'd back on both Sides, that Passage may be open at all Times; two Companies of Train'd Bands mount Guard each Night; a Troop of Lieut. General Gore's Dragoons arrived last Friday in Canongate, and another of the same at Leith.

From the Edinburgh Evening Courant of Sept. 14.

The several Circumstances of the late Riot being the whole Town-talk, we shall here insert such of them as have come to Hand, for the Satisfaction of our Country Readers.

'Tis almost certain, that those who took upon them the Direction, and who began and carried on the Riot, came from the West Hand, and entered the West Port that Evening; that betwixt Nine and Ten at Night, they seized the West Port Drum, and began their March, and beat to Arms; few People being then a Bed, they were instantly attended by a numerous Crowd: They first seized upon and closed the West Port, march'd thro' the Grass Market, down the Cowgate, secured that Port, then march'd up a Lane, and secured the Nether-bow, come up Bell's Wynd, and all of a sudden rushed in upon the Guard, made themselves Masters of the whole Arms that were therein, whilst others secured the Potterow and Bristo Ports, &c. at each of which, a considerable Guard was left: Having thus made themselves Masters of the City, they marched to the Tolbooth and, after attempting in vain to break the Door with Hammers, set it on Fire; but (which was pretty surprizing in a Mob) provided Water to

keep the Flame within its due Bounds: After having thus forced open the outer Door, they with terrible Menaces, obliged the Keeper to open the inner Door; and having got in, called aloud for Porteous in an outrageous Manner, and with the most opprobrious Language, who having come to them, and asked what they were to do with him? they told him they were going to take him to the Place where he had shed so much innocent Blood, and there to hang him for his Crimes: He made some Resistance, but they soon overcame him, and dragged him down Stairs in a cruel Manner; and having set him on his Feet again, made him walk pretty deliberately up the Lawn Market, and down the West Bow to the Place of Execution; where they halted for some Time to deliberate in what Manner they should put him to Death; yea, so insolent were they, that some pretended, the Execution would be irregularly gone about without the Presence of a Magistrate, and proposed to send for one, and also for a Minister to pray for him. But it was answered by others, that the Canongate Guard would be on them, before they could get all these Things accomplished: They then agreed without further Ceremony to hang him, and accordingly having taken a large Coil of Rope from a little Shop, put one End of it about his Neck, and hurried him to a Dyer's Pole, hard by the Place where the Gibbet is ordinarily set up, and stung the other End of the Rope over it, and hauled him up; but he having got up his Hands to grasp at the Rope, they let him down and tied his Hands, and then pulled him up again; but observing how indecent a Sight he was without a Covering to his Face, they let him down a second Time, and pulled off one of the two Shirts he had on, and wrapped it about his Head; and after staying some time they fixed the Rope, and left him hanging there, which he did about Four Hours, viz. from Twelve to Four in the Morning.

After they had thus accomplished their wicked Purpose, some of them came back in Women's Habit, and caused liberate the whole Prisoners in the Tolbooth, some of whom were confined for Crimes of the highest Nature; amongst whom, were Ratcliff the Horse-stealer, who, we hear, has begun to his old Trade again.

The Magistrates, attended with several of the Burgeses, made an Attempt to disperse the Mob, but were pelted with Stones, and threatened with Fire Arms if they did not retire.

Nothing of this Kind perhaps, was ever so boldly attempted, so secretly kept, nor so successfully executed; which makes People apt to believe, that Persons above the vulgar Rank had a Hand in it; the rather, that the Keeper of the Prison declares, that they were Persons in good Dress, who took out the Prisoner, tho' disguised with Leather Aprons, &c.

The 2 Troops of Gore's Dragoons, are removed hence to their old Quarters; and the 3 Men taken into Custody the Morning after the Riot, are either sold or bail'd out, from the Canongate Prison. So that the Peace of the City, is now fully restored by the Vigilance of the Magistrates; and 'tis hop'd will be preserved, by the Care our Train'd Bands take in patrolling the Streets the Night round: They are provided with Firelocks and Bayonets from the City Magazine; the Companies are complete, all Heads of Families; no Servant is admitted; and, for the better Preservation of good Order and Discipline, a Magistrate sits up all Night with them.

To the Publisher of the Edinburgh Courant.

S I R,

Glasgow, Sept. 9th, 1736.

TO the many mournful Accounts you have given of the great Losses sustained by the Church, you are now, alas! desired to add that of the Death of Mr. Alexander Clark, Minister at Neilston (and Son to the late Rev. Mr. James Clark Minister of this City) by a Fever upon the 8th Instant.

It is not easy, in doing Justice to his Character, to gain Belief; for it is indeed surprizing, that a young Man, not much above Thirty Years of Age, and only Three Years a Minister, should have been a profound



profound Philosopher, a learned Divine, a solid, devout and eloquent Preacher, a fine Gentleman, accomplished in every Part of the Belles Lettres, as well as a good Christian, a faithful Minister, a generous Lover of Mankind, an agreeable, good-natured Companion, a kind and a constant Friend; and when to all this it must be added, that in Youth he discovered the Wisdom and Prudence of old Age; and yet, whilst he was the Object of general Esteem and Delight, that he was the only Person blind to his own Merit. Tho' such a Combination of Excellence be exceeding rare, yet true it is, that it was possessed by Mr. Clark, and this whole City can vouch it.

More might, and truly ought to be said of him, but less cannot, without an Injury to his Merit, and Ingratitude to his Memory.

I am, Sir,

Yours, &c.

L O N D O N.

Yesterday se'nnight the Proclamation for the Election of a Scots Peer, in the room of the Earl of Balcarras, deceased, on the 22d of next Month, was read over the Cross at Edinburgh.

The Right Honourable the Earl and Countess of Bute, set out from Edinburgh next Day, for their Seat in the Country.

Alderman Thomas Curtis of Dublin, Master of the Ballast Office, and Justice of the Peace there, and formerly a Colonel of their Militia, was interred last Thursday se'nnight at St. Warburg's Church in that City: His Death is greatly lamented.

The Day before, his Majesty's Hundred Pound Plate was run for at the Currough of Kildare, and won by a Mare belonging to Mr. Hannell, Surveyor at Ringsend.

Mr. William Archdal, Goldsmith, in Skinner-Row, Dublin, is appointed Assay Master of all Plate, &c. made in Ireland, in the room of Vincent Kidder, Esq; deceased.

Last Friday se'nnight died of a Fever, the Rev. Mr. Rayny, a dissenting Minister of Newry, in Ireland, after having been cut for the Stone the Wednesday preceding, when he had Two taken from him that weigh'd Four Ounces and Half. He was a Gentleman of great Learning and a good Character, which makes his Death much lamented.

The Statues of the late Right Honourable William Conolly, Esq; and his Lady, curiously carved in fine Italian Marble, by the famous Mr. Risbrack of this City, are landed at Dublin, in order to be set up in the Gardens at Celbridge.

The Soldier who killed the Man in Twattling-street, and the old Hospital Man who shot another Person, and who were both to have been executed for those Facts at Dublin last Saturday se'nnight, are reprieved to the 2d of next Month.

They write from Derby, that last Saturday se'nnight as some Workmen were enlarging the Family Vault belonging to Alderman Bilby of Nottingham, at Blidworth Church in that County, they unfortunately removed a large Stone in the Foundation of the said Church, whereby the greatest Part of the said Church fell down, and one of the Workmen was buried in the Ruins. The Damage done by this sad Accident, is thought to amount to 500 l.

Last Saturday the 3 following Persons who were condemned the last Assizes at Bury St. Edmund's, were executed at Ipswich, viz. Philip Ward and John Howard for House-breaking, and William Whitman for Horse-stealing. The other 3 who were condemned at the same Time and Place, viz. Samuel Sayer, Thomas Adcock and James Mallett, are to be transported for 14 Years.

Last Week one Martha Nowell, was committed Prisoner to the Castle of Norwich, on suspicion of setting Fire to a House at Hookey in Norfolk.

A few Days ago a lucky Disappointment happened at Norwich, which was thus. A Countryman went to an Apothecary's Shop and ask'd or Two-penny-worth of Ratsbane; but the Man of the Shop suspecting him, gave him fine Sugar instead of Poyson: Sometime after he was gone, the Apothecary sent his Servant to the Inn where he set up, to inquire what he had done with the Poyson; he answered, that he had put in into a Flaggon of Beer, and himself and his Landlord and Landlady had drank it up; *Why then, said he, you will be all dead in a Quarter of an Hour.* Upon this, the Landlord fell down dead as if with the Fright; and the Countryman being ask'd, *How he could be so wicked to destroy those Persons who had done him no Harm?* He answered, *That having a Mind to make away with himself, he*

was not willing to die alone. But the Apothecary having reprimanded him, told the People (to their great Joy) they were all safe, for that it was Sugar, and not Poyson, which they gave him: Upon which the Fellow seem'd concern'd, and as he went Home, attempted to drown himself at Hertford Bridge, but was prevented by Company that saw him.

We hear from Charing in Kent, that one Moses Everett, a Lime-burner of that Place, having been drawing of Lime last Wednesday Night, went next Morning with his Companions to refresh himself at the King's Head there, and on a sudden laid his Head down upon his Arm, saying he would go to Sleep; soon after which his Hat dropped off his Head, and one of the Company going to put it on, to his great Surprise found him dead.

Wednesday last John Blackwell, Esq; was elected Mayor of Bristol, and Morgan Smith and Jacob Elton, Junior, Esqrs; Sheriffs for the Year ensuing.

'Tis now said, that Half-hang'd Harding will be provided for in some convenient House of Charity in that City, with Restraint, he being found defective in his Intellects.

A Marriage is said to be concluded between Arthur Stone, Esq; of the Temple, and Miss Fox, Daughter of the Rev. Mr. Fox, Rector of St. Mary's at Reading, a young Lady of great Merit and Beauty.

There have been several Instances lately at Bristol, of Strangers leaving their Horses there and bilking their Inns; particularly a Dutchman, who came not long ago to the Lamb Inn at Broadmead, where, after regaling himself, and calling plentifully for Wine and Eatables several Weeks, he sneak'd off upon the first Query for the Charges of his Reckoning, and left the Mare to replevy it, which it is thought was hired in London, and will be sold, if not claim'd and redeem'd in less than 20 Days.

We hear that one of the Universities in Scotland has conferred the Degree of Doctor of Divinity on the Reverend Mr. Abraham Taylor of Deptford, who is a Gentleman on many Accounts deserving that Honour, being a very learned Divine, and remarkable for his Knowledge in many other Parts of Learning.

We are assured from Coventry, that John Neale, Esq; has declared himself a Candidate to represent that City in Parliament in the room of Sir Adolphus Oughton, deceased, and is supported by the principal Gentlemen and Freemen of the said City.

On Friday last died at his Seat at Addington in Surry, Sir John Leigh, Bart. aged about 70: He married Miss Wade, Daughter of Mr. Wade, an Apothecary at Bromley in Kent; but left no Issue; so that the Title is Extinct.

Last Night died Mr. Thomas Barber, Head Turnkey of Torhill fields Bridewell, and Cryer of the Court belonging to the City and Liberty of Westminster, whose Place is in the Gift of the Clerk of the Peace for the said City and Liberty.

Last Sunday Night between Nine and Ten o'Clock Mr. Smith, a Distiller in Swallow-street, was knocked down and robbed of about 30 s. in Money, and his Hat, by two Street Robbers, under the dead Wall at the End of Albemarle-street.

We hear that the Right Honourable the Earl of Granard, formerly his Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary to the Court of Russia, is going with a private Commission to the Court of Prussia.

Last Saturday William Bradston, Esq; a Gentleman of 300 l. per Ann. in the County of Surry, fell from his Horse near Wimbledon in the said County, and died the next Day.

Last Saturday William Towers of Tooting, in the County of Surry, Esq; was married to Miss Castle, Daughter of Richard Castle of Wimbledon, Esq; a beautiful young Lady with a Fortune of 6000 l.

Last Night their Royal Highnesses the Prince and Princess of Wales, set out from Kensington, to his Highness's House at Kew, where they intend to reside till To-morrow Evening.

Yesterday was played on Kennington Common a great Match at Cricket, between 11 Gentlemen of the County of Surry, and 11 of the County of Kent; the Kentish Men went in first, and got 41; the Surry Men went in next, and got 69, in the first Innings: then the Kentish Men went in for their second Innings, and got 49; when the Surry Men went in and beat them with Ease, having three Men to go in.

On Thursday Morning next Dr. Taylor will certainly be at Abingdon, and that Evening at the Star-Inn at Oxford; on Monday Morning next at Warwick, and that Evening at Coventry, the 29th at Northampton, on Saturday se'nnight, the 2d of October, at his House in Suffolk-street for eight Days, when he will proceed for France, as has been often mentioned in this Paper.

Yesterday Bank Stock was 150 1-half to 3-4ths. India 179 1-half to 3-4ths. South Sea 99 1-half to 1-2. Old Annuity 113 5-8ths. New ditto 111 1-8th. Three per Cent. 105. Emperor's Loan 117. Royal Assurance 110 1-half. London Assurance 15. African 16. India Bonds 61. 14 s. to 16 s. Prem. Three per Cent. ditto 61. 2 s. Prem. South Sea Bonds 51. 18 s. Prem. New Bank Circulation 17 s. 6 d. Prem. Salt Tallics 3 3-4ths to 5 3-4ths. Prem. English Copper 21. 8 s. Welsh ditto 20. Price. Three 1-half per Cent. Exchequer Orders 6 1-half per Cent. Prem. Three per Cent. ditto 2 5-8ths per Cent. Prem. Million Bank 117.

THE Managers and Directors of the Lottery appointed by an Act passed in the last Session of Parliament for building a Bridge cross the River Thames, from the New Palace Yard in the City of Westminster, to the opposite Shore in the County of Surry, having appointed the Payments to be made into the Bank of England by the Contributors to the said Lottery, and given Notice thereof in the London Gazette, pursuant to the Directions of the said Act: And it having since been represented to the said Managers and Directors, that it will be more convenient to have the Times of Payment enlarged, the said Managers and Directors do therefore give Notice, that they have enlarged the Times of Payment in Manner following: that is to say, twenty Shillings on each Ticket to be paid at the Time of Subscribing, for which Purpose, Books are now open at the Bank, and will be continued to the 14th Day of October next; forty Shillings more to be paid on each Ticket on or before the 30th Day of November following, and the remaining forty Shillings on or before the 29th Day of January next.

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